

Josiah Martin

line. Mr Martin has contributed to science a number of papers on the phenomena of the thermal district. For this work he was awarded the Fellowship of the Geological Society, and of the Auckland Institute, of which he was once President.

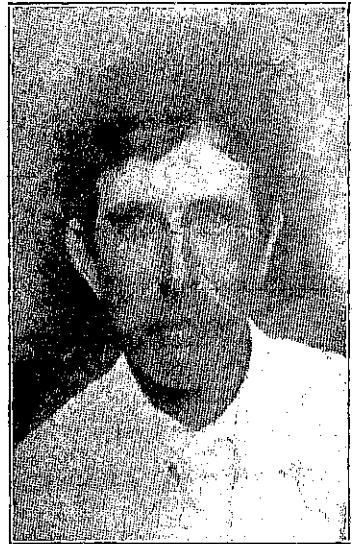
H. C. Field, C.E., came to New Zealand in 1851. He has always



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taken great interest in ferns. His professional work as an engineer gave him unusual facilities for collecting specimens. He has gathered them from the Bay of Islands to the Dunstan. His work on New Zealand ferns, published some years since, is well known. For fifty years past he has written a good deal on political, religious and scientific questions, and is now publishing a booklet on the results of recent discoveries respecting Christianity through Bible criticism and the finds in Egypt, Babylon and India.

A. R. Carrington has been for many years a writer of fugitive verses, and "vers de societe" for various English periodicals. During the seventies he occasionally contri-



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buted to "Fun" and other London comics. He prefers serious verses, but has generally found those of a humorous tendency more marketable. His peculiar method of working is this: He always has a number of unfinished poems in his head, but never puts them on paper until they are sufficiently perfected and polished to appear in print.

W. G. McDonald owes his bent in the direction of literature to Pro-